



# Kennesaw State University Symphony Orchestra

Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall

Seventeenth Concert of the 2014-15 Concert Season

John Warren, clarinet  
Scott Douglas, cimbalom  
Michael Alexander, conductor

RICHARD WAGNER (1813-1883)

## **Prelude and Liebestod**

from *Tristan und Isolde*

AARON COPLAND (1900-1990)

## **Concerto for Clarinet**

John Warren, clarinet

Intermission

ZOLTAN KODALY (1882-1967)

## **Hary Janos Suite**

- I. Prelude - The fairy tale begins
- II. Viennese musical clock
- III. Song
- IV. The battle and defeat of Napoleon
- V. Intermezzo
- VI. Entrance of the Emperor and his Court

Scott Douglas, cimbalom

# personnel

## KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

### Flute/Piccolo

Madison Hall  
Brittany Pietsch  
Aly Soriano  
Ida Spence  
Corinne Veal

### Oboe

Emma Goodwin  
Alejandro Sifuentes

### Clarinet

Jonathan Itkin  
Mudussir Quraishi  
Chia-Jing Tang

### Bassoon

Shelby Jones  
Andrew Niehoff  
Dustin Price

### Horn

David Anders  
Kristen Arvold  
Nathan Bedgood  
Nicholas Watkins

### Trumpet

Brandon Austin  
Jesse Baker  
Kristen Gravlee  
Kyle Green  
Jon Klausman  
Ra Sheed Lemon, II

### Trombone

Michael DeSousa  
George Blevins  
Travis Longenberger

### Bass Trombone

Joseph Poole

### Tuba

Melinda Mason

### Percussion

Joshua Bouland  
Joseph Donohue  
Mitch Gillis  
Mary Madison Jones  
Brooks Payne  
Eric Ramos

### Harp

Tyler Hartley  
Amanda Melton

### Piano

Jordan Sommer

### Violin 1

Micah David  
DuMarkus Davis  
Ryan Gregory  
Sarah Hoefer  
Grace Johnston  
Terry Keeling  
Brittany Thayer  
Anneka Zee

### Violin 2

Adrienne Bythwood  
Rachel Campbell  
Kynan Clymore  
Rachel LaRocca  
Huijeong Lee  
Lauren Miller  
Justin Rawlings

Nathaniel Roberts  
Jordan Sommer  
Kevin Williams

### Viola

Katie Baumgarten  
Justin Brookins  
Audine Crosse  
Rachel Fishback  
Kyle Mayes  
Perry Morris  
Samantha Tang  
Natalie Thompson

### Cello

Riley Duggan  
Kathryn Encisco  
Esme Mason  
Avery McCoy  
Anthony Newman  
Michael Roberts  
Dorian Silva  
Michael Thomas

### Bass

Francisco Lora  
David Metrio  
Matthw Richards  
Nick Twarog

# biographies

## ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLARINET

**J**ohn Warren joined the Kennesaw State University faculty in 2006. His previous University affiliations include Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah, Georgia, and The University of Nebraska at Omaha. He was for fifteen years the principal clarinetist of the Savannah Symphony Orchestra and prior to that position, the principal clarinetist of the Omaha Symphony. He served as principal clarinetist of the Des Moines Metro Opera for many summers prior to arriving in Atlanta. At KSU, Mr. Warren teaches studio clarinet, wind chamber music, and chairs the woodwind performance area.



Originally from Shreveport, Louisiana, Mr. Warren holds Degrees from the University of Cincinnati College/Conservatory of Music and The Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. His most influential teachers include Donald Montanaro, L. Thomas LeGrand, and Richard Waller.

He has performed as soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, the IRIS Orchestra, the Curtis Institute Orchestra, and the Symphonies of Savannah, Omaha, Hilton Head, and Beaufort, SC.

As a recitalist and chamber musician, Mr. Warren has appeared at the Aspen Music Festival, the Evian Festival and the Highlands Chamber Music Festival. He has presented chamber music programs in France, Italy, and Monaco as well. He was a featured recitalist at the International Clarinet Association's 2005, 2013, and 2014 conferences.

Mr. Warren is a member of the Atlanta Opera Orchestra, the IRIS Orchestra of Memphis, TN, as well as performing frequently and recording with the Atlanta Symphony. His playing can be heard on the Telarc, Naxos, Albany, and New World labels.

Mr. Warren will appear in with the KSU Orchestra on Wednesday, October 8th, performing Aaron Copland's *Concerto for Clarinet*. On Saturday, February 21st, 2015, he will present his fourth annual KSU Clarinet Day, a daylong extravaganza of all things clarinet. Put the date in your calendar!

## DIRECTOR OF ORCHESTRAL | INTERIM DIRECTOR SCHOOL OF MUSIC

**M**ichael Alexander is the Director of Orchestral Activities at Kennesaw State University and serves as the Music Director of the Georgia Symphony Orchestra.

Active as a guest conductor, he has conducted in Europe, Australia and at various places in the United States, including performances with the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra, Illinois Valley Symphony Orchestra, the Maikop Symphony Orchestra and the Novgorod String Orchestra in Russia, the Bacau and Ploiesti Philharmonic in Romania, and the Catania Music Festival in Italy. In the summer of 2004 and 2009 he served as Music Director for the Madison Savoyards Opera Company. He has also appeared as a guest conductor four times with the Summer Music Clinic Orchestra at the University of Wisconsin and with the 2003-2006 Maud-Powell Music Festival Orchestra in LaSalle, IL. In March 2010 he conducted the 11-12 Georgia All-State Orchestra and in the summer of 2011 was a guest conductor at the Highlands Music Festival.

Under his leadership, the Georgia Symphony has presented many critically acclaimed performances and has seen enormous growth. During his nine year tenure with the GSO, the group has added to its core of professional musicians, removed all of the massive debt it was under, expanded its budget, and created a comprehensive youth orchestra and chorus program with approximately 400 students from across the region.

In the summer of 2003, Dr. Alexander completed his Doctor of Musical Arts Degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in orchestral conducting. Prior to his current appointments, he has served on the faculties at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, and Ripon College. Dr. Alexander began the orchestra program at Kennesaw State University and under his direction the KSU Orchestra has performed at the 2009 Georgia Music Educators Association Annual In-Service, hosted and performed at the 2010 College Orchestra Directors Association National Conference, and completed a three concert tour of Beijing and Xian, China in January of 2011. He has conducted several District Honor Orchestras and has also presented workshops and sessions for the American String Teachers Association, The Ohio State University String Teacher Workshop, and at the Georgia Music Educators Association Annual In-Service.



## School of Music Faculty and Staff

### Music Education

Judith Beale  
Janet Boner  
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Charles Laux  
Alison Mann  
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Kelly Francis  
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Benjamin Wadsworth  
Jeff Yunek

### Woodwinds

Robert Cronin, Flute  
Todd Skitch, Flute  
Christina Smith, Flute  
Elizabeth Koch Tiscione, Oboe  
John Warren, Clarinet, Chamber Music  
Laura Najarian, Bassoon  
Sam Skelton, Saxophone

### Brass and Percussion

Doug Lindsey, Trumpet, Chamber Music  
Mike Tiscione, Trumpet  
Jason Eklund, Horn  
Thomas Witte, Horn  
Tom Gibson, Trombone  
Brian Hecht, Bass Trombone  
Bernard Flythe, Tuba/Euphonium  
John Lawless, Percussion

### Strings

Helen Kim, Violin  
Kenn Wagner, Violin  
Catherine Lynn, Viola  
Allyson Fleck, Viola, Chamber Music  
Charae Krueger, Cello  
James Barket, Double Bass  
Joseph McFadden, Double Bass  
Elisabeth Remy Johnson, Harp  
Mary Akerman, Classical Guitar

### Voice

Jessica Jones  
Adam Kirkpatrick  
Eileen Moremen  
Oral Moses  
Leah Partridge  
Valerie Walters  
Jana Young

### Piano

Judith Cole, Collaborative Piano & Musical Theatre  
Julie Coucheron  
Robert Henry  
John Marsh, Class Piano  
David Watkins  
Soohyun Yun

### Jazz

Justin Chesarek, Jazz Percussion  
Wes Funderburk, Jazz Trombone, Jazz Ensembles  
Tyrone Jackson, Jazz Piano  
Marc Miller, Jazz Bass  
Sam Skelton, Jazz Ensembles  
Lester Walker, Jazz Trumpet  
Trey Wright, Jazz Guitar, Jazz Combos

### Ensembles & Conductors

Leslie J. Blackwell, Choral Activities  
Alison Mann, Choral Activities  
Oral Moses, Gospel Choir  
Eileen Moremen, Opera  
Michael Alexander, Orchestras  
Charles Laux, Orchestras  
Debra Traficante, Concert Band  
David T. Kehler, Wind Ensemble

### School of Music Staff

Julia Becker, Administrative Specialist III  
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### Ensembles in Residence

Atlanta Percussion Trio  
Faculty Jazz Parliament  
Georgia Youth Symphony Orchestra and Chorus  
KSU Faculty Chamber Players  
KSU Faculty String Trio  
KSU Community and Alumni Choir

## Kennesaw State University School of Music

The School of Music at KSU has dedicated, vibrant, and talented faculty and staff that are completely devoted to teaching, performing, scholarship, and serving our community. It is an incredibly exciting place to study, boasting state-of-the-art facilities with opportunities to produce and explore music in a dynamic place that is ahead of the curve for what it means to be a musician in the 21st century. Our students come from the leading musical honor organizations across the region and are poised to lead the cultural offerings and musical education in our area and beyond for years to come.

We welcome you to attend a concert, meet our faculty and staff, and feel the energy and excitement that our students exude. We are fully committed to our purpose as educators, performers, and scholars. We hope that you will find as much enjoyment in our product as we do in producing it.



Michael Alexander  
Interim Director, KSU School of Music

### Connect with the School of Music

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## upcoming events

*Unless otherwise noted, all events will take place at 8:00 pm in Morgan Concert Hall.*

Thursday, October 9  
**KSU Chamber Singers and  
Men's Ensembles**

Monday, October 13  
**Faculty Recital: Robert Henry, piano**

Tuesday, October 14  
**Guest Artist Recital: Tammy Yonce, flute**

Wednesday, October 15  
**KSU Wind Ensemble**

Monday, October 20  
**Guest Artists: Georgian Chamber Players**

Thursday, October 23  
**KSU Jazz Ensembles**

Wednesday, October 29  
**KSU Jazz Combos and Jazz Guitar  
Ensemble**

Thursday, October 30  
**KSU Gospel Choir**

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